

CITY OF CABOT, ARKANSAS Council Meeting Minutes August 17, 2020

In response to the 2020 COVID-19 Pandemic and restrictions placed on social distancing by the Centers for Disease Control, the City of Cabot moved the monthly Council Meeting to the Veterans Park Event Center, 508 N. Lincoln, as advertised. This allowed for spacing between chairs, as suggested. The meeting was both open to the public and an online meeting with video through the web-based video conferencing tool Zoom. The event was successfully streamed through YouTube.

Mayor Ken Kincade called to order the regular meeting of the Cabot City Council at 7:00 p.m. on August 17, 2020 in the Veterans Park Event Center. Mayor Kincade opened with prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

A roll call was conducted. The following Council Members were present: Ronald Waymack and Doug Warner attended the meeting in person and also by Zoom. Council Members Norma Naquin, James Reid, Matt Webber, Kevin Davis, Damon Bivins and Ed Long all attended the meeting via Zoom only. Also in attendance were City Attorney Ben Hooper (by Zoom), City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom, and IT Director Roger Self. Several members of the public were also in attendance.

Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting and Other Matters

The minutes of the July Council Meeting were approved with a motion by Ms. Naquin and second by Mr. Webber. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

Motion to read legislation by title only by Mr. Warner, second by Mr. Bivins. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

City Council

OLD BUSINESS: ORDINANCE NO. 18 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE A PART OF BLOCK 36, TOWN OF CABOT AND PART OF THE SE ¼ OF SECTION 13, T-4-N, R-10-W, CABOT, LONOKE COUNTY, ARKANSAS FROM R-1 TO R-4H; AMENDING THE LAND USE PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom. Motion to suspend the third reading by Mr. Davis, second by Mr. Reid. Motion passed by a Roll Call Vote of 6-2. Mr.

Webber and Mr. Warner both voted no. Motion to adopt by Mr. Davis, second by Mr. Bivins. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 19 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE A PART OF THE SW ¼ OF THE SE ¼ OF SECTION 7, T-4-N, R-9-W, CABOT, LONOKE COUNTY, ARKANSAS FROM R-1 TO C-2 W/SPECIAL USE; AMENDING THE LAND USE PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom. Second reading. No action.

ORDINANCE NO. 20 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE A PART OF BLOCK 36, TOWN OF CABOT AND PART OF THE SE ¼ OF SECTION 13, T-R-N, R-10-W. CABOT, LONOKE COUNTY, ARKANSAS FROM R-1 TO C-2; AMENDING THE LAND USE PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom. Motion to suspend the third reading by Mr. Long, second by Mr. Reid. Motion passed by a Roll Call Vote of 7-1. Mr. Webber voted no. Motion to adopt by Mr. Warner, second by Ms. Naquin. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 21 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE TO SET MILLAGE TAX RATES TO BE COLLECTED IN 2021 FOR THE CITY OF CABOT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom. Second Reading. No action.

NEW BUSINESS: ORDINANCE NO. 24 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING ADMINISTRATION OF RETIREMENT COVERAGE FOR ELIGIBLE MEMBERS OF THE CABOT FIRE RELIEF AND PENSION FUND TO THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LOPFI) AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN IRREVOCABLE AGREEMENT WITH LOPFI was read by City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom. First reading. No action.

ORDINANCE NO. 25 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE TO PERMIT GABE TISCHLER TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE CITY OF CABOT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom. Motion to suspend the second and third reading by Mr. Long, second by Mr. Reid. Motion passed by a Roll Call Vote of 7-1. Mr. Warner voted no. Motion to adopt by Ms. Naquin, second by Mr. Bivins. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 26 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE CREATING, CERTIFYING, AND CONFIRMING TAX LIENS AGAINST REAL PROPERTIES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF CABOT FOR FUNDS EXPENDED TO PAY FOR SERVICES RENDERED DUE TO CODE VIOLATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom. First reading. No action.

RESOLUTION NO. 30 OF 2020 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFERING OF BONDS TO REFUND OUTSTANDING BONDS SECURED BY REVENUES OF THE CITY'S WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom. Discussion. Motion to adopt by Ms. Naquin, second by Mr. Davis. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 31 OF 2020 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK/TREASURER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH WASTE CORPORATION OF ARKANSAS, LLC FOR WASTE COLLECTION, RECYCLING, AND RELATED SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom. Discussion. Motion to adopt by Mr. Warner, second by Mr. Webber. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 32 OF 2020 – A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE APPLICATION TO THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND TOURISM FOR ITS OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK /TREASURER TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TO EXPEND FUNDS, IF NECESSARY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom. Motion to adopt by Mr. Warner, second by Mr. Long. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

Community Input: A person watching online asked (via YouTube) about her request for the Council to discuss legislation banning the release of balloons which she made weeks ago. Mayor Kincade asked Kevin Davis and Mike Wheeler to look into it.

Mayor Input: Mayor Kincade asked the Council to be thinking about when they would like to come back with live meetings.

<u>Council Member Input</u>. Doug Warner thanked those involved with the recent Budget and Personnel Committee Meeting for making it happen on short notice.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

We, the undersigned Mayor and City Clerk/Treasurer for the City of Cabot, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct record of the proceedings of the City of Cabot Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, August 17, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Ken Kincade, Mayor

Tammy Yocom, City Clerk & Treasurer